



# The Rotary Club of Toms River

"THE ORIGINAL TOMS RIVER SUPPER CLUB"

www.TomsRiverRotary.org  
 www.rotary7505.org  
 www.rotary.org  
 www.sailfest.net

## GREETER

Jan 30 - Manny Hirshblond  
 Feb 6 - Emir Turkes

## INVOCATION

Jan 30 - Stacey Romano  
 Feb 6 - Jim Biggs

## VISITING GUESTS

Jan 30 - Bob Pastine  
 Feb 6 - Sam Leone

## DATELINE

- Jan 30** - Carl Jablonski - Lakehurst Naval Air Station
- Feb 6** - REGULAR MEETING - Board Meeting immediately following
- Feb 13** - CLUB NIGHT
- Feb 20** - GIRL SCOUTS of JERSEY SHORE
- Feb 27** - OCEAN COUNTY TOURISM
- March 29** - 5th Annual SPRING FLING

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Our **50/50 Bonanza** tickets are now distributed. The drawing for 1st Prize of \$14,000, 2nd Prize of \$4,000, or 3rd Prize of \$2,000, is being held at our Spring Fling on March 29 at the Clarion. REMEMBER – all you have to do is ASK - ASK - ASK. They really sell themselves when you tell prospective buyers of the 3 prizes.

Cochairman Tim gave a short report regarding the **Spring Fling**. Tim got the door tickets last night to be distributed next week. Tickets are \$35 and include dinner and 1 sheet of tickets. If you need more solicitation letters Tim has them and also some small posters for windows. Tim says gifts have been received already and Kim is out shopping for more. Anderson & Campbell has once again become a sponsor for the Spring Fling with a donation. If you know of a company that would like to help support Rotary with either a cash donation or a gift basket, now would be a good time to bring it in.

Tim distributed the Door Tickets last night. If you weren't there, they might come to you in the mail, or you will get them next week. We are expecting at least the same size crowd as last year. Marie and Pat are flooding Facebook with the informa-

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tion and it is paying off. The **Spring Fling** has reached 5,900+ people, and 317 have marked that they are either going or interested. As an aside, **Sailfest** has reached 19,200+ people, and 949 have marked that they are interested or going to the event, and we have a check in hand already for Sailfest! Our social media committee is really getting the word out about our club! Great Job!



Pictured L to R - Barbara, Maureen, George, Arlene and Bill receiving a donation from our club.

**Always Supporting Our Military** is a recognized 501-c-3 Charity whose purpose is to support our active military personnel with care packages from home.

They have between 20-25 volunteers packing

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and labeling boxes in the basement where they are based. They accept cash donations as well as items that our troops request such as shampoo/conditioner, Sun Screen, Baby Lotion/Wipes, Over the Counter medications such as cough medicine, aspirin, vitamins, etc.

They are able to ship these boxes for \$17 each box using a specific size box from the Post Office. It usually takes up to 3 weeks for the package to arrive at its destination.

They get the names of service people at [www.anysoldier.com](http://www.anysoldier.com). There is a list of names, with rank, that are wishing to get on the list to receive a care package. The letters they receive from the service people after they received their package is so emotional for the volunteers. The men and women are so thankful to receive something from home and that there are so many of us that care.

They have received support from Home Depot also. The employees at a local Home Depot took up a collection for Always Supporting Our Military and Corporate matched it! It became several thousand much needed dollars! Things they don't get donated they must go out and purchase them.

It is really so hard to believe our military has to rely on organizations to support them with such basic needs.

## CONGRATULATIONS

*Emir ~ Tim P ~ Stan  
Brian ~ Chris ~ Rich Y*

## FINES - HAPPY - WHATEVER

P/B/J - Stan, Emir, Brian, Len, George, Lou, Hal, Jim, Tim C, Rich

ABANDONMENT \$ - Tony by leaving his 2 kids with babysitter Lou!

LATE - George

HAPPY –

Nancy - Happy to have friends with me tonight-  
Always Supporting Our Military

Jackie - To be here

George - I spoke to Rich Davidson and he may be back in a few weeks

John B - SAD \$ about Doris Veeder passing

Brian - Change from your hand to mine!

Stan - Guilianna can sign "God Bless America"

George - Very Happy - We just received a check from a vendor for Sailfest 2019!

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## VISITING GUESTS/ROTARIANS

**Mary Ann  
Stacey's Mom**

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**Guiliana and Anthony  
Pres. Tony's kids**

## **Clubs reap benefits from flexibility options**

2019-20 Rotary International President Mark Daniel Maloney is urging leaders to grow Rotary by creating new Rotary and Rotaract clubs that take advantage of innovative membership models.

In his speech to incoming leaders at the annual training event in San Diego, California, USA, Maloney said "The first emphasis is to grow Rotary — to grow our service, to grow the impact of our projects, but most importantly, to grow our membership so that we can achieve more."

During the 2016 Council on Legislation, delegates voted to give Rotary clubs more freedom to decide when, where, and how they meet and the types of membership they offer. Clubs that have taken advantage of the new club flexibility options have reported increased membership; greater diversity in age, professions, and experience; and more engaged members.

Here are some of the ways clubs are staying relevant in their communities:

- Flexible meetings – The Rotary Club of Singapore East replaced two of its monthly meetings with less formal gatherings focusing on service projects and fellowship.

- Reduced dues – Quentin Wodon, president of the Rotary Club of Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C., club, helped double its membership in six months by adopting a number of changes. One involved adding two new membership categories: one for young professionals, 35 and under, at half the regular dues, and one for spouses or partners, at one-third the cost.

- Corporate membership – Corporate memberships give busy executives the chance to get involved in club projects and activities without committing to regular weekly meetings. The club has 17 corporate members, from six businesses, who take turns attending the club's meetings.